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"Getting wisdom is

The most important thing you can do.

Whatever else you get,

Get insight"

Proverbs 4.7 (GNB)

MAY IT BE REMARKED THAT THE ARRANGEMENT OF CONTENT IN THIS LITTLE BOOK IN NO WAY DEPICTS THE SEQUENCE IN WHICH THE AUTHOR'S THOUGHTS WERE WRITTEN DOWN.

INTUITION

It is my longstanding custom to refer to intuition as "the teacher within". With regards to knowledge I can identify that three different mechanisms may apply to its acquisition; namely, intuition, experience, and science. These three are supplementary so that the whole body of knowledge that mankind has acquired occurred through the operation of these three mechanisms in collectivity. The discussion here, therefore, does not reduce to the question of which one of these mechanisms is to be preferred over the others. The latter mechanism, science, is whereby mankind endeavours to understand himself (scientific inquiry) or his external environment (scientific enquiry). In this regard the practice of science is not of recent times; in fact a scientific instinct seems to be woven into the essential nature of humanity that mankind has practised science from prehistoric times. What the modern age has introduced to science are only the terminologies and methodologies. Yet, in modern times, so much enthusiasm has attended science that modern man seems to be conditioned to think that all good quality knowledge should have been acquired through the scientific

mechanism. This position is not only a fallacy but, it is also a sort of myopia that has impeded the acquisition of useful knowledge. In my own lifetime I have witnessed several incidences of how so-called scientists have unscrupulously forged the results of their scientific works. The history of scientific pursuit may possibly be replete with occurrences as these and only the good God can tell just how much of our science-acquired knowledge is actually genuine. In brief we should be awakened to the fact that any so-called scientific knowledge is not necessarily correct and that science should never be used as a litmus test for all knowledge. It is simply just one of the mechanisms by which knowledge may be acquired.

Experiential knowledge consists of what we see around us or encounter in the passage of time. We have knowledge of the sun because we see it hanging up in the sky. We also know that it is yet time to produce fruits when a mango tree blossoms because this event has happened before over and over again. However, because illusions do not count for facts, the repetitiveness of an event or the constancy of a substance is of essence to experiential knowledge. It does

not matter whether such experience occurs firsthand to us; those of other people are equally important here.

Intuitive knowledge counts for true knowledge in every respect and is in no way inferior to the other two mechanisms. As insight *Intuition* is like a second pair of eyes which equips a person with discernment to comprehend the very dark mysteries of the world. Maybe intuition is a sort of foreknowledge, but since the latter word suggests a previous existence, an issue which I am yet to ponder, I shall avoid this particular word for this present time. Intuition may also have been referred to as inspiration; the latter being the product obtained through a pure conscious mental exertion. When inspiration is delivered directly by a divine agency it may be appropriately referred to as a revelation. Intuitive knowledge needs to be taken as is and is not verifiable by science or experience. It counts for useful knowledge, although just like knowledge acquired by other mechanisms, intuitive knowledge is also subject to forgery and falsification. The note worthy of emphasis here, however, is that intuition needs to be treated with equal level of seriousness accorded to science and experience as respects the acquisition of knowledge.

THE SUBSTANCE OF MAN

Every human being is a duality of spirit and body. From flora through fauna to mankind we see three different planes of complexity of body formation. The flora, including higher plants, herbs, algae, and fungi, are living organisms which suggests that the essential requirements for life are matter and physiology. In this regard rocks are nonliving because although they are made up of matter they do not have physiologies as well. At the level of the fauna, which includes all categories of animals, we do see the addition of the circulatory system and the nervous system. As the distinguishing function between the flora and the fauna is the property of locomotion it also suggests that these two endowments are essential for locomotion. The mechanism by which the circulatory system and nervous system together confer locomotory ability on living organisms is open for enquiry. However we do know from the physical sciences that the milieu of this planet is a magnetic field within which all living organisms are immersed: the nervous system seems to be an electrical network which connects the body of the organism to the electromagnetic field in the exterior. The circulatory system produces a constant flow of fluid round the body of the organism and this, coupled to the action of the nervous system, probably are the special mechanism which confers locomotory ability on the fauna and mankind. The human being is an embodiment of matter, physiology, circulatory system, nervous system, and then, a spirit. Humans are therefore higher to the fauna in the respect that the former have spirits which the latter do not have. And so further to locomotion mankind is also endowed with the property of thought; humans are thinking organisms. Some other thinkers have given the spirit of man several aliases, including Mind and Consciousness. The spirit of a man is his mind.

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FURTHER ON SPIRIT OF MAN

GOD alone is the original spirit. He alone is immortal and can bestow the gift of immortality. He is the creator of all things and rules in the spiritual world. The material world is ephemeral; the spiritual world is eternity. I surmise that GOD must have created mankind as a form of machination to populate the spiritual world. Humanity must be the

mechanism devised by GOD to replicate or procreate a spirit. In the birth of a young human I see the replication or procreation of a spirit. I am hereby suggesting that human conception and subsequent birth is a phenomenon of creating a spirit *de novo*; the fresh emergence of a new spirit that has never existed before.

I am not suggesting a form of incarnation, reincarnation, or body indwelling here. In fact, I do not believe that incarnation or reincarnation ever happens nor ever happened in the past. As concerns body indwelling I do believe some spirits, some time after they have attained immortality, at which time such spirits are free unbound beings, could take possession of the body of a human being or animal and work through them. This latter phenomenon I reckon is a possibility. The essential difference between body indwelling and incarnation is that whereas the latter supposedly occurs prior to birth the former is a postnatal event. Let me reiterate that my ideas about the procreation of spirits is never a form of incarnation or reincarnation; which two phenomena I strongly deny. I am rather suggesting that GOD must have invented humanity as "spiritmaking machinery" for the population of the spiritual kingdom of light.

Now, the spirit of man even at the birth of the young human being is ageless. Agelessness ought not to be confused with eternity. It means that the spirit, unlike the body of a man, does not pass through stages of growth in form. For the growth of the spirit does not consist in increase in material build as occurs for the body but increase in the content of the mind. However the spirit of man, never at any stage through the lifespan of the man, is not eternal as immortality is a gift which GOD alone can bestow. The spirit of man is just as mortal as his physical body. From birth the spirit of a man remains in hibernation pending awakening at a later stage in life; we can peg this form of awakening at somewhere around the stage a child begins to gain consciousness. This event is different from what other thinkers have referred to as spiritual awakening; this latter event describes a condition of spiritual mindfulness. The awakening I am describing here happens to confer consciousness to man and occurs during childhood. Therefore this kind of awakening happens to all mankind. Beyond this stage ensues the period of spiritual development. I have hinted before that the spirit of a man is his mind; and the mind is developed through learning. As a man studies and ponders content is added to his mind; this is how the mind, and therefore the spirit of man, is developed and grows. Here is where all mankind may be parted into two companies; there are those who nurture their spirits with constant study and thought and then those that do not. The spirits of people in the latter group remain in slumber throughout their lifetimes. A large proportion of humanity is within this group. Others nurture their minds alright but with "poisonous" nutriment.

GOD is the eternal watcher over the spirits of men. He rewards immortality to the spirit of the man who pursued the course of light and righteousness during his lifetime. The spirit which ever remained in slumber throughout his lifetime is subjected to eternal annihilation. The same fate awaits the spirit of the man who pursued wickedness and the course of evil and darkness. These are together subjected by GOD to eternal destruction. The happy spirits who are rewarded with immortality go to inhabit the presence of GOD and to be his associates.

CHANGING CULTURES, CHANGING LIVES

The inertia of culture is backwardness and dynamism of culture a sign of progress and human development. Many African peoples have not advanced much because of this single factor. It is animal nature to not want to progress. Give an animal ten thousand years and it will want to stay as it is now and history bears witness to this. Men are higher organisms by nature and should not demonstrate this mentality of the beasts.

Mankind is the only organism capable of formulating ideas and who can tell if we have been specially designed so to play this role towards a specific cosmological end. Fresh ideas are critical so much to the evolution of all things (the cosmos) that there will surely ever be fresh ideas under the auspices of a natural force we do not know now. When new ideas emerge let us let go the olden ineffectual ideas and welcome the fresh ideas.

Mankind and the cosmos in entirety evolve and are perfected through experimentation with ideas. Primitive and nonprogressive societies are marked by very strong affinities to ancient and long-observed customs and cultures. As

cultures change human lives also change in parallel. Those who argue for the continuation of existing culture do much disservice to the human race. Those who repress change of culture are enemies of the human race itself.

5.

FOR GAIA

The operations of the Earth are beyond the comprehension and manoeuvre of humanity. It is infinitely so large that its frontiers have never been discovered. Man cannot contend with the wind and weather. Silent and speechless it lays yet it determines the very nature of all living beings. Ageless it lives on beyond the limits of time. The Earth is not subject like living beings to the natural laws of growth, change and decay. *She* is the author of space and time and all living beings exist within *her*. Nobody ever instructs *her* what to do. *Her* speech and music are incomprehensible to mankind. *She* absorbs all filth and emanates goodness into the sphere. As a mother *she* cares for all within *her* and mankind is no special to *her*. *She* does not intervene specially into the affairs of mankind.

Then *she* has so gracefully shrouded *herself* from sight. Through the lookingglass mankind has seen the illusion of a lifeless ball of rock hanging on nothing. And there is also the illusion of bodies in the distant sky. We ain't seeing nowhere else but within the Earth *herself*. Let us not forget the illusory nature of perspective. The Earth is the universe and we do not look for God beyond *her*. Humans, plants and all other living things exist within God but are not God.

6.

THIS BEAUTIFUL EARTH GOD HAS MADE

As you climb high above the skies

Human beings dissolve into thin air

And all human sufferings disappear with him

From above you see only a peaceful Earth

Covered with green vegetation, blue oceans and circulating rivers

From above GOD sees only a balanced macrocosm
Without the slightest blight of malady or danger
The Earth appears disturbed only in your horizon

Why not help sanitize your horizon?

You can help make the Earth a paradise for all mankind

7.

THE RELIGION INSTINCT

A religion instinct appears to be with mankind so that ever the aspect of religion has continued to be a prominent feature of the human experience. There is an ancient adage among the Akan people of Ghana that "no one teaches a child to know about GOD". Which means to say that all mankind from the cradle will naturally demonstrate some sort of belief in GOD. Permit the author's adopted convention of writing GOD in the upper case. Belief about the existence of GOD is almost universal among mankind and the fast evidence we have is the fact that always people of races and cultures everywhere have developed and practised some form of religion.

The rule of thumb here is that when a belief appears so pervasive and spontaneous among mankind, as in this case of the existence of GOD, it is most likely the truth. GOD is believed in yet he/she is not empirical. To this point GOD remains a mystery and open to the conjecture of the human

mind. Perhaps at some future time this mystery will be unravelled and the true identity of GOD will be in the known. As of the present time we affirm that all the religious faiths of the world are the creations of individual men. No one of these religious leaders has truthfully seen GOD or is the incarnate GOD. Whilst some religious faiths are closer to the truth some others are grossly missing the mark.

There is therefore no true atheist. Those who are careful to tread on safer grounds express agnosticism about GOD, arguing that GOD is beyond human comprehension and knowledge. Rather, atheism is a protestation of the teachings of the present systems of religion. As instinctive as the belief in GOD is among mankind it is very unpleasant for any person to be described as an atheist. The use of this word has been the scheme popular religions employ to incriminate people who challenge their teachings. This is how the popular religions have evaded scrutiny and enjoyed an enduring presence.

No one is an atheist just for challenging the teachings of the popular religions. As has been said before the popular religions and their artefacts are mainly the ideas of men and are not above criticism. GOD has not revealed him/herself to

any man. If GOD ever did this in times past he/she will continue to do same in the passage of time. For example the author is strongly opposed to many aspects of the Christian religion yet am not an atheist.

Religion is not a forbidden territory to the liberal thinker. If there is one aspect of overriding importance to the human experience it is religion. For it is by this exercise that we hope to solve the mystery of our identity and find good fortunes for humanity and this planet. The fear of being labelled as atheist should not deter anyone from freely criticizing the popular religions. We are not atheists but jealous guardians of the name of GOD.

8.

THE SACREDNESS OF HISTORY

The so-called sacred literature of popular religions ought to be treated cautiously. No behaviour in these matters is safely taken devoid of logical criticism and reasoning. An unquestioning faith is a pitfall and the folly of the masses.

In fact all history is inherently sacred for obvious reasons. All are both not verifiable and undeniable. Because posterity may not have the means to check their truth history is mostly

accepted as presented. They are not challengeable and this consists their sacredness. There is no point in treating the so-called sacred scripture specially. And I should not accept any text as the fact just because it appears in the sacred literature.

Therefore history presents a fine avenue for perpetuating untruth. Unless the author of any history makes an express disclosure or provides an implicit hint to the contrary the history as presented is directly taken for truth. Indeed a history may be falsehood in disguise. The note of warning here is that one has to be extremely careful in the application of history to the real life. If history has not been proven and rigorously checked against other sources it should not be treated as fact for any practical purposes.

Contrast the story of Moses' birth in the Bible to Charles Dickens' *Oliver Twist*. At the basic level these are both stories, yet whilst the former story is treated as a historical fact the latter is taken for fiction. Why? The point of difference is that the author of the Moses story used the instrument of history which Charles Dickens did not use. The Bible is generally accepted as a history book. In contrast Charles Dickens wrote under the literary genre of novels.

Supposing that *Oliver Twist* had been entered in the Bible or any other popular history book, or that Dickens had expressly stated somewhere within the story that it was a factual one. Who could have thereafter taken Oliver Twist for a fictitious character? Then as for other history the posterity after Charles Dickens would be left with no other option but to accept *Oliver Twist* as presented by its author as the fact. On the other side of the coin history presents a useful tool

On the other side of the coin history presents a useful tool for social engineering and cultural remodelling. The social engineer may choose to present his or her discourses as history and years after his own demise the posterity after would treat these writings seriously.

9.

IN RIDICULE OF UNQUESTIONING FAITH

I speak of faith as the folly of the masses and the scheme the popular religions employ to silence their opponents. Faith and reason are mutually exclusive and unless someone disregards reason he/she cannot have faith. But how can anyone have faith without first been biased? Faith as propagated by the popular religions operates on the principle of first experience. One always has to accept the religious

doctrines he/she encounters earlier in life and here lies the bias of faith. It all depends on the home into which the child is born; the religious character of that particular home forms the child's first experience. When there happens to be a later conversion of this child to another religion his/her people generally considers this a loss of faith.

Unquestioning faith is debilitating to the human person and race. Faith does not permit the use of the mental faculty of judgment and this is injurious to personal development. The human race is also seriously affected as social evolution is impaired by the operation of faith. If all mankind are to apply faith learning and research would have to be stopped, we would not identify fiction from fact and there would be no motive to better our lot as humans.

Unquestioning faith is also self-destructive. If you have to believe everything you are told without questioning you would soon find yourself having to perpetually discard your previous beliefs. Consider the case of a young Christian who encounters an Islamic propagationist for the first time. To avoid conversion to Islam this young man would have to put forth a strong defence of his faith and question the new teachings. You can see from this why I said that faith shall not

be able to stand without bias. In fact an unquestioning faith really does not exist anywhere. And people should refrain from thinking that they are exercising faith in GOD when in reality they are only being domesticated by the popular religions.

Our only safety rests in the application of pure reason and the conscience. I have yet not seen the conscience err. You may describe reason as the evidence-based faith. You believe in something because of the empirical evidence you find or the convictions of the mind, the intuition, the conscience. Reason solves all the defects of faith. With regular application a person's mental faculties develop and reason uplifts the human race. A religious faith which is based on reason is the one that would really benefit humanity.

10.

MUSINGS OF A SOLITARY LIFE

The people who have done the most wrong to a man

Are his two progenitors

To have been born into this world

Is the worst tragedy that can befall us mortals

The truths of the world are not taught to anyone
They are best learned by oneself
Counsels are not learned at the lips of a counsellor
They are best discovered for oneself

The highest entertainment is the exercise of thought
Oh what ecstatic moment when some truth of life is
discovered!
The musings of a solitary life
These provide direction to all humanity

11. SELECTIVE PREDESTINATION

The law forming humans from the substance of the Earth
Has long been authored
And has since been in operation
Thus, when a male and female mate
A young human is produced in result

Such is the law constantly in operation

Similar to the laws controlling animals and plant forms

A male and female animal mate

And a young animal is produced in result

A new plant also sprouts from a seed of an existing plant

There may be a purpose for humanity in totality
But no special purpose for every individual
Every individual human is produced by a natural law in
operation

The product of the union between a male and female

There is not a special purpose for every individual person
In much the same way as not all plants are useful
There are useful plants and there are weeds
Yet they are produced by one and same law

So though all humans are produced by one natural law Not every individual human fulfils a special purpose Some individuals are mere products of natural law And such individuals contribute nothing to the purpose of humanity

Then are those who are born to contribute specially to the purpose of humanity

Such individuals influence the course of humanity in entirety

So while some individual humans are mere weeds

Affecting the course of humanity in no way

Some others are impactful and dictate the course of humanity

The majority are mere weeds

Just products of a natural law in operation

The minority are men of purpose

Born to show the way

That predestination is selective and not universal
Is a fact evident by close examination of Nature
Some few plant forms are useful; a purpose cannot be found
for the majority
Neither are all animals beneficial
Humans are no different

ON CHARITY

Almsgiving perpetuates weakness among mankind. It is weakness for a man to depend on the mercy of fellow humans for his life. And weakness is a blight and assault on human existence which we strive ardently to undo. A weakness in body is not inability. We do not discourage fellow feelings and gestures to help ourselves. The emphasis here is on *ourselves* which suggests mutual benefit.

No one, excepting parents who by this status are therefore perpetually obliged to their progeny, is responsible for the life of another man. Every man is solely responsible for the preservation of his own life. The rule is you either strive to preserve your own life or you allow it to go. The honourable man tries hard to fend for himself. It is not against this rule to ask for occasional assistance from other people. We are speaking against those weaklings who practise begging as a way of life. Those are assaults on the human race and no well-meaning man should entertain this practice.

THE MONEY PRINTERS OF IBERLAND

I knew of a country in the far eastern parts of Imagination Called by name *Iberland*

It was a libertarian society

The people there invented clever systems for solving myriads of human problems

And by these could realize the paradise that all mankind desires

One of these was their treatment of money
Which I briefly recount in this piece of writing

Before theirs was similar to any modern society

With an expansive chasm between rich people and the poor

Although other types of material possession abounded on
the land

The medium of exchange was not readily available to the masses

As money printing was the preserve of a special group of people

Then arose from among the thinkers of the land

A man whose thoughts revolutionized the acquisition of wealth

This man clearly understood the true nature of wealth
That an abundance of money per se is not wealth
Rather it consists in having material possession in abundance
And that money is only the medium for exchanging wealth

He argued that the masses are already richer
What remains to be gotten is the free medium for
exchanging the wealth they held
He advocated that money should be made within easy reach
By making the activity of money printing a free enterprise
So that there shall be people in the society who could
Practise the profession and business of money printing
These people all printing the common and accepted money
of the land

The masses saw wisdom in his advice and money printing forthwith ceased to be a monopoly

There was an initial rush at money as most countrymen saw the money printing enterprise very attractive

Yes, every man wanted to possess more money
But soon the thinker was vindicated
Mother Nature imposed a natural restraint on the people
The country began to lack in food, clothing, safe water and
other material possessions the people needed to survive

The people all realized in a rather short time that they couldn't all be money printers

Some would have to keep to the other trades, arts and

This necessary so that the variety of material possessions Which they actually needed for their survival and development

Could also be produced

enterprises

In time a stable society developed

Whereby the business and profession of money printing

Existed together with a lot many arts and enterprises

What happened was that if someone possessed any item

It could be exchanged for money at the money printer's

This was how any material possession was converted to

money

And then on used to acquire other material possessions

There goes a very ingenious system

Which modern societies may adopt to solve the perennial pandemic of poverty

The people are not actually poor

They are only not able to exchange goods and services freely

14.

THE QUADRUPLEX OF POWER

Touching power it has occurrence in four different forms. Power places the possessor above peers and enables rulership. Firstly, knowledge and wisdom. Wisdom is that aspect of knowledge which concerns the way something is done or how best to do anything. Secondly valour, energy, strength and military might. Thirdly divinity and magick. And fourthly wealth, money and material possessions.

These are interconvertible so that one form of power may be employed to acquire the other forms. Human life is meaningless devoid of power and therefore every man should endeavour to get some form of it. It is power that is also called force.

15.

ON INDIVIDUAL SOVEREIGNTY

If man continues to subjugate himself to another, unless every man asserts and exercises his own sovereignty, till all men are rulers of themselves and themselves alone, Paradise cannot be established.

16.

THE INSANITY OF THE LAW

In this piece I shall borrow no ideas, words or definitions
My words and their meanings shall be my own
I have thoughts to tell the world
And I shall have no regard for the thoughts of other people
The understanding of this piece lies beneath the body of the text

And only the careful reader can reach it

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Hence do not mind the words and grammar

The law must be insane and disillusioned
Come to think of it!
For the law to suppress and wrench
All happiness from a man
To be used as a tool of oppression
And to fester injustice

Which of them twain is greater
The man or the law?
For once man made law
And as the maker is greater than the made
So man is greater than the law
The man is master over the law
And not law over the man

Touching the universal applicability of the law
We do not all subscribe to the law
As the natural wisdom of humanity is
For the law to apply to us all
It must be authored by us all

As the mixture of minds approaches infinity

The law approaches to truth

But as we know it

The law is authored by the infinitesimal few

For the law to apply to me

I must endorse my acceptance of it

Nothing more than this, nothing less

If the law is forced on me

I am simply being oppressed and bullied

The law must be insane and disillusioned

If it does not recognize the sovereignty of the individual

The individual is greater than the republic and the republic
the law

Insomuch as the individual rather opts to belong to the
republic

The law is profitable for regulating interpersonal

The law is profitable for regulating interpersonal relationships

It has no power over the individual life
This insight all must have

If the law is there to control my dealings with my fellow humans

I have no problem with it

If to the law crime is any bad conduct against my fellow human

And not one against myself

I have no problem with it

And I deem the law profitable

This insight the world must understand

If the law ventures to dictate what I do to myself

And to deny me personal freedom

And to block my pursuit of happiness

If by such conduct I may even harm my own self

But not interfere with the sovereignty of my fellow human

I would damn the law

I am master of my own body

And must rule over it

Just as everyone is master over his body

And must rule over it

I can do all things to my own body

The other man can do all things to his own body
I shan't do anything to the other man
Unless he has agreed and permitted me
Without inducement

This is the rule of conduct the law should regulate

To make sure every man is master over himself

And that all interpersonal conducts are by mutual consent

Anything more than this function

The law will be but an instrument of oppression, bullying

Made by man against man

And should be resisted with all earnestness

The law can't stop me from taking a hard drug
But it can stop me from forcing a drug on somebody
The law can't stop me from practising prostitution
But it can stop me from raping or defiling a kid
The law can't stop me from doing occultism
But it can stop ritual murder

The law can't stop me from committing suicide But it can stop me from unsolicited euthanasia The law can't stop me from practising a philosophy

But it can stop me from indoctrination

So long as the law does not interfere with my individual life
I shall hold it blameless

But whatever system does not respect individual sovereignty
Is suspect and condemnable

17.

SOCIETY IS LIFELESS

The individual man has life, society has no life. The death of society raises no emotions. This is why society can be sacrificed for the life of the individual. The individual imparts life to the society therefore where will be the society if the individual perishes. Any beneficial social system should bring benefits which would be felt at the level of the individual man.

18.

SEQUEL

In one earlier discourse

Titled selective predestination

I seem to have espoused certain ideas

Which go to mean that

The majority of humanity are weeds

And utterly useless

I wish to write further on these ideas here
To expound my later insights on these ideas
This move extremely important and necessary
Lest some fellow hastily reading that piece
Applies my ideas in racial cleansing of some sort

Every individual life is important

For the total course of all humanity

In this sense I still maintain the two divisions

The majority

And the minority

Stand and observe a thicket of plants

Yes the majority of plants

Do not produce the foodstuffs and medicines

Mankind needs

Yet all of them produce oxygen

That vital force necessary for the rejuvenation

And sustenance of planet Earth

Likewise in the human community

Although the minority are the inspired ones

All contribute to the common purpose

Evolution of thought

The majority provide the condition and impetus

The minority inspired ones think and show the way

The individual is worthy of his life!

19.

RACIAL CLEANSING

All men are born through the operation of one common natural law. And variety is also a basic principle of nature. It is

evident not peculiarly among mankind but as well among plants and animals. For this reason there are different races of mankind. There is no real inferiority in the colour of a man's skin, neither his stature, nor the nature of his hair. The state of being is also a product of the cultural milieu in which people find themselves. So none of these are indicators of racial superiority. But granted that there was such an inferior race it would not be any person's own making that he was born into that race. Therefore from the perspectives of both reason and morality racial cleansing is never justified.

The individual is worthy of his own life. However miserable a person's life may be he must be allowed to live it. That person alone, and no one else, has the moral power over his life and to decide what happens to it. A person alone can justifiably decide to continue living or to stop his life. So whilst we frown on murder we on the other hand support suicide and mercy killing which has been solicited by the person concerned.

In the same vane racial prejudice is not reasonable. People are products of the cultures in which they were raised. We may well disdain a particular culture but we should spare the people.

ON HUMAN RULERSHIP

Human rulership over fellow humans is an aberration of nature. Where else in nature do some rule over others of the same kind besides among the human race? We see that all plants are equal and so the plant kingdom is marked with eternal peace and stability. In the animal world also no group of animals are rulers over the other animals. The law of government among both of these kinds of organisms is simply this: "Each man for himself and God for us all". Well you say mankind is superior to plants and animals and I agree perfectly with you. But you are right in this argument only in the sense that mankind is the only organism able to formulate ideas and to experiment with it. The superiority of mankind by no way justifies human rulership. Ask yourself this question. If all mankind is superior why should some men rule over others? The human race has experimented with human rulership over millennia and now careful observation depicts that this system should not be allowed to stand.

The law of rulership in nature requires that the ruling species should be higher in comparison to the organisms ruled. On this planet all mankind are rulers over plants and animals who are truly lower organisms in reference to mankind. Lower in the sense that they do not have the full set of abilities endowed on mankind by nature. In keeping with this law the appropriate rulers over mankind should actually be higher organisms compared to mankind. The nonexistence of such higher organisms does not permit human rulership. At least we have a whole body of evidence beside us to support that human rulership is a natural aberration. The human race is characterized by penury, suffering, embattlements and population pressure. The state of life of plants and animals is doubtlessly superior to that of mankind. Human rulership is one of just two or three factors that have caused all of this deterioration of the human race.

Human rulers make laws to restrict the liberties of fellow humans whilst they themselves live above those laws. Human rulers commit the dirtiest of acts and the most debasing of crimes yet go without even a rebuke for the same crimes for which other men would have been punished severely even unto death. They are given enormous privileges and competitive advantage. They obtain food, clothing, water and other resources without money. Some

have authority over other men's lives and can claim it when they like. They claim the wealth of nature for themselves to the disadvantage of fellow humans. They are never wrong. What an absurdity for a human! In brief human rulers live in a completely different world from other men.

What qualifications do human rulers have for that estate? Nothing extraordinary because they are neither the strongest, the comeliest, the noblest, the wisest nor the cleverest among mankind. And what establishes them in that estate? Nothing but the willpower of the people. The people who permit themselves to be ruled are those they can rule over. We declare that human rulership is an aberrant system and one of just two or three factors responsible for all the suffering of mankind. We therefore reject human rulership and support the libertarian social system where every man rules over nobody but himself. We do not forbid leadership. There will ever be individuals with sterling qualities and natural capabilities who will continuously emerge among mankind. These are only to provide direction to mankind and should not be permitted to rule over them.

I prophesy a fall of every form of human rulership. In the scheme of things of nature it is time for the libertarian societies to be established. Call it what you may; heaven, paradise or a libertarian society. There every man shall be a truly free man. Human rulers and all those who sympathise with them are enemies of the human race. Mankind has got to contend with them. Human rulership should be utterly annihilated from the world.

21.

MERCHANT

My spirit burst out in sleep:

"I want to be a merchant

This desire lays deep-set in me

I want to roam the whole world

I want to see distant places

I want to see the wonders GOD's hands have created

I want to be a rich man"

A SATIRE

A new disease of the mind is on the rampage. It has already seized millions of poor city dwellers and is making them behave in a very shameful way. It has captured both the gentleman and the unkempt. It has captured both the grownup and the young child. It has captured both the educated and the uneducated. It has captured also both the people who are able to read and people who are not able to read.

The victims of this cruel disease of the mind can be seen by what they do in public places. They throw rubbish around and spit about in public places. The disease of the mind makes the victims forget they know that waste bins have been put in public places because of rubbish. The disease also makes it hard for the poor victims to see that their behaviour hurts themselves and other city dwellers who are free from this disease of the mind.

The officials of the city council have seen this disease of the mind and worry about how it is destroying noble city dwellers, but they realized that they are unable to stop it. If a disease should make noble city dwellers unfit for this

beautiful city and that the psychiatric clinic should be the best dwelling place for them, why should they not worry? If the dear reader should see some of the victims of this cruel disease, please pity them and pray to God for their healing. The reader should also pray that this cruel disease of the mind is restrained before it captures fresh victims.

God save the city!

23.

THE REPUBLIC

Up to this time the political systems of the world
Have been repressive and demeaning
The sovereignty of the individual has
At all times been sacrificed to a demon
Called the Republic
Yet human civilization after civilization
The thinker, theologian and common man alike
Have craved for the perfect state of existence
They have variously called Paradise

Come and let us think

Over this subject once again

Unless Paradise is a place where God alone rules

A libertarian country where

The sovereignty of the individual is recognized, respected

and protected

It shan't be any superior system

To the political systems the world

Has seen so far

The human organism is born a free being

Men make slaves of other men

From chiefdoms through democracy

Man has invented devilish institutions

To repress and oppress fellow man

And to subjugate the wishes of other men

To their own

The Republic is demonic

It's set mankind on a downward spiral of demoralization

Listen to me you men

The chief is not any superior to yourselves

In body, mind and spirit

You might even be higher to them

Why then do you set them so highly?

I will tell you how they were made

They have in their hands some form of power

Shake this yoke off your necks

Free yourselves from bondage

Find some power for yourselves

And you would be amazed at your own superiority

Neither is rulership necessary for mankind

Take the jungle for example

The principle of government is

Each man for himself, God for us all

In the jungle each bird is a free being

It lives and competes for the natural resources

When its days are fully spent

It dies peacefully as a free being

This is an exemplary political system for humanity

Among mankind we see only deplorable systems Encapsulated in the pretext of better life Political systems have been delivered to mankind
Which only produce ailing human communities
In fact the political systems the world has seen so far
Are not advancement but deterioration of humanity
The Republic is a human creation
An inspiration from demons, not an act of God
The present condition of humanity is evidence

It is taken for granted
That once a person is born into the Republic
Automatically he belongs to it
This I think is a fatal fallacy
The dumb Republic is a form of social contract
I must append my consent to belong to it
The fact that I am born into a Republic
An accidental phenomenon
Does not mean that I subscribe to it
At a full age I must willingly choose
To belong to that Republic

The Republic does not consist in any physical boundaries It exists only by the will of the people The Republic is the people and not the land

Hence I said elsewhere that man is higher than the Republic

Thus said it is naturally possible

For more than one Republics to coexist

In the same geographical milieu

The abstentionist ought to understand

That military might is the stay of a Republic

I do not abhor communal life

Neither do I advocate against social interaction
I speak for a more excellent political system
The sovereignty of the individual
A libertarian society where every individual
Is allowed maximum control over personal life
The common conscience of all humanity is law
By which interpersonal conduct is regulated

THE COMMON WEALTH OF NATURE

It is amazing how babes learn a language
I cannot fathom how children learn to speak
But I do know for a certainty
That all things that to nature belong
Form a common wealth

Let there be a separation of all things
Into the natural and the manmade
One may acquire and own the latter
But since no man created the former
It is supposed to be owned commonly
By all mankind

In fact mankind shares the natural
The earth crust and oceans
Plants, circulating rivers and the air
The sun, luminaries and rainfall
Energy, day and darkness
Together with animals

Yet the animals themselves

May exist in the service of mankind

Therefore all belong to mankind

And all things do exist

For the benefit of mankind

Let every man acquire as much

Of the manmade as he may

But the appropriation of the natural

Is improper and should not be allowed

In a libertarian society

The jungle is the prototype libertarian society
There things of the natural
Are obtained by competition
And are held by power
This law is encouraged among mankind

25.

THREE DEVILS

Three devils haunt mankind and are collectively responsible for all the woes and suffering of humanity, namely: human rulership, ignorance and population pressure.

26.

LIBERAL EDUCATION

Ignorance is the ultimate cause of all human suffering and woe; therefore a thorough scheme of education of the individual ought to be pursued. Ignorance is not synonymous to illiteracy. The latter denotes 'not lettered', an inability to read and write in any known language. Ignorance on the other hand means 'not knowing', complete absence of knowledge.

Thorough education is dispensed on three distinct levels which are named in order as follows: literacy, artisanship and thought. The first stage of education should deal with teaching the student to read and write the world's languages. The scope should include all known language; the more the student can learn the better. I propose that literacy

education should begin the moment the child begins to be able to do simple chores for himself. The earlier years before this stage should be given to childhood fantasies, curiosity, entertainment and playing.

Artisanship should begin to be dispensed when the student has mastered the languages: at least one of the world's important languages. The objective of artisanship education is to equip the student with skills to earn his livelihood. At least one or more trades, profession or arts should be learned so that the person can work for a living and be beneficial to the society. Again the more trades or arts a person can learn and be equipped with the better and more adaptable he would be.

The third stage of education comes later but continues until the person dies. The study of thought is vital for human evolution and I consider that life is not meaningful without it. Again I think that it is the highest form of entertainment. When the individual has learned enough arts to gain a means for living he should devote his leisure time to the study of thought. Study the thoughts of other men and contribute to the pool of human thought. This third part of education provides the drives for human evolution.

CHANGE AND EVOLUTION

These two concepts merit some clarification. Evolution denotes development, a refining. In this sense only the human Mind actually undergoes evolution. By the Mind I mean the collective thoughts of all mankind. Biologies do not evolve but simply change over time, this statement being applicable to humans as well as nonhuman life forms.

The environmental factors can change the form of the body temporarily or if the genes are altered the change becomes permanent. Biological change can be positive or negative, beneficial or deleterious to the species concerned. On the other hand evolution of the Mind is essential and is the reason why mankind exists. This dimension is not just a simple change and cannot be likened to biological change. Evolution of the Mind has a cosmic influence. Whereas biological change is limited to the human organism the whole of the cosmos is changed permanently as the human Mind evolves.

The phenomenon by which biologies change to march their environments I call "the chameleon effect".

PLASTICITY OF ALL THINGS

The cosmos (or, universe) is plastic in the sense that its form and condition changes over a period of time in response to changes within its internal environment. This is not a kind of organized change as in evolution but random change by a Lamarckian phenomenon. Jean-Baptiste de Lamarck once proposed a theory that biological systems change in correspondence with changes in their external environments. In fact evolution, the organized advancement or refinement of biological systems, never occurs in nature. What actually happens is the fact that the physiologies and anatomies of living organisms do change over periods of time, but such changes are random and do not happen with the particular intent of improving the biologies of living organisms.

The activities of mankind cause changes in the conditions of the Earth and, on a larger scale, the internal environment of the universe. A corresponding change occurs in the form and internal conditions of the universe, as well as the biologies of all living things on planet Earth. This nature of things may be utilized to produce desirable conditions on Earth and desirable properties in living organisms. When a condition is

introduced in a quantum so small to cause death, by and by, both the physiology and anatomy of a living organism may be changed forever.

29.

THE STATE AS AN IDEA

Once a liberal thinker lived
In a bid to teach his student
The very substance of the State
Said thus to him, "Come now
Today we discover the frontiers of this country
For you to know
How large our country is"

So off they set
In search of the eastern boundary of the country
On and on they moved in earnest search
Yet could find no boundaries
Till the towns of the next country were entered
The eastern frontiers could not be found

The thinker then said

"Oh, maybe we shall find the western boundary"

To the west they turned therefore
In pursuit of the western boundaries

Tirelessly and earnestly they searched

Yet found not the western frontiers

Till the towns of the western country

Were entered

After replicating this vain drudgery
In pursuit of the northern and southern frontiers also
The student burst out in desperation
"Wherefore lay the boundaries of the country
Which on the cartograph are depicted?"
The old thinker answered him
"Within the imagination of the countrymen"

He moved on to explain further

"Listen attentively

The goddamn State is only an idea

And existing in the minds of the people

The Earth itself is one large piece of land
Not divided into states and countries
As the cartograph so depicts
The blowing wind and circulating rivers
Have no respect for imaginary boundaries

The State is an idea

And consists of the people alone

Less the physical geography

In that the land and sky

Vegetation, wind, waterbodies and air

With all matter Nature endows

Are no components of the State

Insomuch as no natural frontiers

Are discoverable between the states

The State is an idea

And made up of the people alone

Therefore more than one states

May coexist within a same geographical setting

A fraternity of people constitutes one state

And more than one fraternity may occur

Within the same geographic milieu

To share the natural resources"

We introduce the phenomenon
Of overlapping states
A person does not belong to a state
Simply by birth
For birth is an accidental event
At a suitable age in the future
A person should have the liberty
To conscientiously choose to belong
Either to this State or another

30.

ON THE EQUALITY OF HUMANS

On the one hand humans are not naturally equal because they are born with different natural abilities and into different natural circumstances. On the other hand humans are equal, politically. Each man is his/her own sovereign. No man is naturally qualified to rule over other men. Justification will never be found for human rulership. The

ideal ruler should be the best human, and ought to amass all good qualities of competitive advantage. There is none such person among humans; therefore GOD is the only qualified ruler. Each average man has some good characteristics for competitive advantage and never the full collection.

31.

ABSTENTIONISM DEFINED

I teach for the solution of political crises the philosophy of abstentionism as a more excellent mode instead of activism or offensivism. On the one hand activism, that is persuasion, demonstrates weakness and a contradiction of the libertarian spirit. The activist implies by actions that he/she is subject to a human authority, has willingly submitted to the rule of such an authority and is dependent on such authority. This is in clear contrast to the libertarian ideals we preach. On the other hand offensivism, that is conflict or war, is inherently destructive to both the human race and the natural systems so much that we do not advocate for it. If a fraternity of people is at loggerheads with the prevailing political and economic systems the most efficient approach to employ is

to abstain from the systems. Abstentionism as a philosophy for solving political crises has been coined from the verb "abstain". Stated in simple terms abstentionism means "separate yourselves", "refuse to participate in the disagreeable political or economic systems", boycott, secede, and other words and phrases with similar connotations as these.

Abstentionism is morally sound in the sense that individual humans are not properties of the state. The individual is free and participation in the state organization should be an exercise of freewill. Governments do not own the individual. In its truest sense the state is nothing more than an association of sovereign individuals who have consented to a particular structure of politics and economics. If an individual no longer agrees to these structures he has the free moral and natural right to boycott it.

Abstentionism preaches nonviolence in solving political crises. However the abstentionists should anticipate that a government may try to prevent the secession. Under these circumstances the abstentionists would have to fight back to preserve their natural rights and interests. The principle is that first do no harm but when the occasion presents itself,

as in a government preventing this exercise of natural right, the abstentionists would need to fight back.

32.

ON SINISTER SPIRITS

GOD is the one and only spirit which existed at the beginning of the universe. This latter entity exists by him, through him, and also for his own benefit. GOD as a spirit is not susceptible as humans to the effects of time, growth and decay. He is immortal and would ever live. GOD is light and the spring of all goodness and perfection.

Now I recall that man has a component of spirit and that this spirit is released at the death of the physical body. The spirits of human beings which did pursue the course of light are rewarded by GOD with immortality; conversely, the spirits which pursued the course of darkness and those amateur spirits which never went through the process of spiritual development are committed to eternal destruction. However, the destruction of any dark spirit may or may not occur instantaneously after death. This is to suggest that the destruction of the dark spirits is a kind of random

phenomenon so that dark spirits are destroyed at different times relative to the time of death of the physical body. Whereas some dark spirits suffer the said eventual annihilation spontaneously at the death of the physical body, some others incur this fate a short measure of time post to death. Yet other dark spirits are able to evade annihilation for a considerable span of time.

Which means that as there are spirits of light in the spiritual world so are there dark spirits. The difference being that whereas spirits of light have attained to immortality by the gift of GOD the dark spirits would suffer an eventual destruction.

These lingering spirits are those sinister spirits which continuously haunt mankind. These are the rulers of darkness. They are responsible for evil, blight, and all the sufferings of humanity. Likewise to the spirits of light these sinister spirits are able to indwell the bodies of human beings and animals to work through them. This piece concerns the origination of the sinister spirits which inhabit spiritual darkness. You may call them satan, devil, or demons. Our affirmation is that these are not the original creation of GOD.

The sinister spirits are the resultants of the misdeeds of mankind; evil humans produce evil spirits.

33.

CREATIVE ABILITY

It is a special property of a spirit to perform creation. Human beings exhibit creative ability by virtue of our inborn spirits. Yet because of spiritual immaturity the ordinary human being is able to create only with the materials of Earth. The man who develops spiritual maturity is able to exhibit a complex level of creative ability. It is a distinguishing mark of spiritual maturity to create substance *ex nihilo*.

It should not be supposed that everything we see on the planet is the work of GOD. The spirits of darkness likewise the spirits of light preserve creative ability. To the former should be ascribed all the blight and malicious work of creation that we see on the planet. The good GOD only created goodness and perfection; it is an impossibility for the Almighty to do wrong. All creatures that injurious to mankind are, every blight and phenomenon that causes suffering and

discomfort to mankind, are the work of sinister spirits. By creation is meant both creatures and natural phenomena. In likewise manner evil spirits can invoke or obstruct the natural laws to cause suffering to mankind. Therefore, although GOD is the author of the natural laws and cycles, evil spirits may intercept these to cause natural phenomena which are injurious to mankind. To these we ascribe such natural phenomena as earthquakes, tsunamis, thunderbolts, volcanic eruptions, floodings, avalanches, landslides, droughts, pestilences, famines, et cetera. And with them mankind has got to contend in finding solutions to these events.

34.

ONGOING WORK OF CREATION

The Almighty GOD masterfully authored from the very beginning the natural laws on which the operations of the Earth and natural cycles depend. From the beginning of the universe he fixed how the natural phenomena should be and they have since been running as he wished it. On the issue of the creature, however, we affirm that creation work has not

ceased. The creation of substance for the planet, especially as concerns living organisms, is a running process since the time GOD first created the universe. Mankind would therefore continue to witness the appearance of new biological species which were hitherto unknown to him. Time after time GOD, either by himself or working through the spirits of light, would create a new biological species or a force in answer to a malady confronting mankind at that time. An example of such work is the appearance of an herb to treat an ailment of mankind. We can expect that the spirits of darkness may also create creatures or forces to help them execute their sinister objectives. The point here is that mankind can hope that at his solicitation the good GOD could alter the affairs of the universe for the betterment of mankind

35.

THE OPEN CANON

At this early dawn of the spiritual revolution we are not afraid to point out the errors of the established religions. Almost each of the popular religions of the world has a collection of writings they separately consider as the conclusive revelation of GOD to the human race. The Christians, for example, have the Holy Bible; the Islamists the Qur'an; and the Jews the Torah. Adherents of each religion consider their own so-called "holy book" as a most comprehensive and exhaustive revelation, and additions and deletions to these are not permissible. But this idea is not consistent with the notion that GOD is an ever living being, which incidentally is a pervasive belief among the popular religions. To suppose that divine revelation did occur only in some times past and has since ceased, is to suggest either that GOD is now not a living being or has since gone into inactive hibernation. Otherwise how could GOD refuse communication with mankind whilst the latter still remains on Earth.

We believe that the object of divine revelation is to convict mankind of the reality of GOD and to provide guidance to him. The fact incontrovertible is that every age of mankind's presence on this planet is attended with a peculiar set of threats and challenges to the race and the system. Also the very foundation of all religion is that GOD is an eternal, ever living being. We are convicted therefore that GOD is alive

now as in the past, and that he continues to reveal himself to mankind.

We therefore propose what may be termed as "the open canon", in rejection of the idea that the so-called holy books contain the entire revelation of GOD. I believe that the total divine revelation cannot be contained in any one bound volume. Divine revelation is not respective of age, dispensation, race, geography, and religion. The apostle Paul intimates in 2Timothy 3.16-17 that all scripture (that is, holy writing) exists by the inspiration of GOD for the benefit and guidance of the religious man. In every period of human existence on Earth GOD maintains a "chosen generation" of representatives to whom he reveals himself and through whom he effects his purposes. The open canon consists of all the sacred writings of mankind; any piece of writing which is purposed to add to the spiritual experience and divine revelation is included. It is a virtual volume which expands with the history of the human race. It began with mankind and would end with him. The import of these propositions is that every literature or piece of writing that touches on religion is worthy of our consideration. We examine each of them to find out how far they are consistent with conscience, reason and evidence. A common continuous thread runs through the religious experiences of mankind and a true sacred literature or composition would not be disjoined to this. We would accept every sacred literature only on the basis of its conformity with the common principles of human religion.

36.

ON THE INFALLIBILITY OF THE BIBLE

It is a grave error to suppose that any of the popular holy books is infallible, not excepting the Holy Bible. The latter, and in general all sacred literature, is not infallible and should not be seen as the standard for morals and human conduct. We are not thinking of infallibility as concerns such minor issues as phraseology and typography. In our reckoning such issues are of marginal significance here. We are considering infallibility of the ideas and principles expressed there in the Bible.

A literature would be deemed infallible if it was directly handed down to mankind in its present form and make by divine agency. For GOD alone is infallible; error is a major

limitation of humanity. There is no evidence that GOD ever did this. What these so-called holy books claim for themselves is that they were authored by holy men who were themselves inspired by GOD. By this they suggest that those holy men received their ideas directly from GOD. But where is the testimony? It is itself an error to accept the verity of this claim at face value, without subjecting it to reason and evidence. Were we there when these authors were being inspired by GOD? We do recall that all history is implicitly sacred; there is no difference between truth and falsification. Author a piece of "history" today and project it as the account of a period in the obscure past. This piece will be no more challengeable than the precepts in any of the popular holy books. The point is that we need to be cautious with the so-called holy literature. They ought not be seen as the standard of human conduct, nor are their principles to be accepted without respect to reason and evidence.

Neither is inspiration presumed a kind of verbal dictation. It was not as if GOD verbally read out his ideas and messages to those "holy writers", who then wrote down what was read to them. Inspiration is a state of mind; a conviction; an insight. It is the product of mental exertion or exercise. Therefore

inspiration as occurs to the "holy writer" is no different from that which happens to the novelist. For this cause we have scarcely a reason to accept the divine origin of the so-called holy writings; more so in the absence of solid evidence.

37.

THE CHRISTIANITY CONNECTION

There is no knowing the certainty of the existence of God and no ascertaining the fact of the Holy Bible. Yet one thing is clear; that Christianity is not incompatible with libertarian ideals. We as liberal thinkers champion a system of government which may be expressed in such few words as these; each man for himself, God for us all. Christianity projects Christ as the ruler of the entire cosmos, who being godlike is not subject to human frailty and limitations. Under the banner of Christ there is no regard for caste, pedigree, age, gender, race, nationality, colour of skin, height and rank. The truest form of Christianity recognizes that all Christians form an expansive kingdom of royal priests. What a remarkable dignity accorded the human race! And the overwhelming upliftment for a species under depravity!

What existing system could be comparably as humanitarian and libertarian?

In the shadow of Christianity all persons are reckoned both free and equal. The male gender is not superior to the female gender, just as the white race is not superior to the black. True Christianity departs markedly from the other popular systems of religion. These latter are sinister systems which deprive man of liberty and dignity. For what advantage has a man still got over the beasts and flora when these two are withheld from him? Evil religious systems like the political systems the world has known thus far have deprived humanity of its humanity.

The good old Christianity is in perfect unison with our political ideals. When rid of the dross of religious embellishment the pure Christianity is the finest system of thought and way of life which engenders the upliftment of the human race. It should engage the study of all liberal thinkers. A comfortable amalgamation is possible between Christianity and libertarianism; what may be termed as Christian libertarianism or Christian radicalism.

TO THE CHRISTIAN RADICAL

"Prepare in the wilderness a road for the LORD! Clear the way in the desert for our God! Fill every valley; level every mountain. The hills will become a plain, and the rough country will be made smooth. Then the glory of the LORD will be revealed, and the whole human race will see it. The LORD himself has promised this". Isaiah 40.3 – 5, GNB.

39.

ORIGIN OF THE RACES

The popular sacred books of the world have ascribed to all mankind the ancestry of an original couple of parents, which so numerous thinkers reasoning from this theoretical foundation have identified the varied climatic conditions on Earth as the cause of the different races of mankind. That the people in prehistoric times were all of one race, but when they were finally distributed to the different parts of Earth the climatic factors of each geographical location impacted on the people there to result in their specific form and skin colour. Thus they explain racial diversity.

I do not share this view. Neither do I believe that all mankind originated from a single pair of parents. It is incontrovertible that the environment and climate of a geography can produce a lasting change in both the genotype and phenotype of a living being. Yet I find it difficult to accept if this effect could occur on such a high level as to produce the different races of mankind. I do not however have to stretch myself so hard for supporting evidence. Nature provides an answer for herself here.

Variety seems to be a common theme in nature. We see variation in both the plant and animal kingdoms. Even the nonliving components of planet Earth also speak the language of variety. How could mankind escape such so pervasive a natural phenomenon or law? For this cause there are different races of mankind also, in accordance with a most fundamental principle of nature. It is incomprehensible why GOD the creator is so much keen about variation.

Reason and evidence gleaned from nature do not support the notion of common ancestry for all mankind. GOD must have created the people of every race in their own original form. The Earth is therefore being populated by people of every race separately. There never was anything like divergence of the races from a common racial background. Our belief in the originality of each race of mankind is solidly founded on pure natural evidence.

40.

The people who go to sea, they see the glory of GOD.

41.

THOUGHTS ON BOOK OF MORMON

Joseph Smith Jnr., the founder of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, doubtlessly was a libertarian. Anarchist and libertarian ideas are spotted throughout his Book of Mormon.

Now concerning this Book of Mormon I am of greater convictions that it is a work of contrivance; a literature that was composed to defend the point that the institutions which Joseph Smith Jnr. thought to establish were part of a long tradition handed down the generations. However, this literature is marked with much detail and consistency and I think that if he contrived it by himself he must have been under some kind of influence, possibly psychedelic

compounds or evil spirits. This I say by virtue of the fact that such simultaneous depth and consistency of literary work is unattainable except under the influence of either psychedelic compounds or spiritual agency.

The Book of Mormon spans a period of 1020years.

Joseph Smith Jnr. was an American who lived between 1805 - 1844. He founded the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. The group considers the Book of Mormon as one of their major sacred literatures. This Book of Mormon purportedly is a historical account of two groups of people, the Nephites and Lamanites, who inhabited the Americas in ancient times. It is a small book comprising of 547pages. The story goes that these peoples commonly descended from a small group of Jewish expatriates who left their country during the times of King Zedekiah, shortly before the Babylonian exile. This small group left at the instructions of God and was guided by him to cross the oceans to come to inhabit the Americas. These people eventually were mainly destroyed and scattered over the continent. The Book of Mormon is divided into individual books and versed as in the Holy Bible.

A common string ran through the historical account: that prophecies about Christ's first advent and work of atonement was passed down the generations of these peoples. The account describes further how Christ after his resurrection manifested himself to descendants of these peoples over three consecutive days to give them instructions. It goes that he established a twelve-man apostolic ministry similar to that recorded in the Bible. In the prefatory statements to the book it was stated as among its objectives "to the convincing of the Jew and Gentile that JESUS is the CHRIST, the ETERNAL GOD, manifesting himself unto all nations".

Joseph Smith Jnr. reported that this historical account, at its conclusion, was hid on the hillside by one Moroni. This Moroni later in the days of Joseph Smith, when Moroni himself had become an angel, manifested himself to him, told him about the records and commanded him to dig them up and interprete them. The interpreted record is this Book of Mormon.

Now we cannot challenge the authenticity of this Book of Mormon as Joseph Smith Jnr. employed the device of historical presentation here. It is such a herculean task to challenge a historical account. However my strong conviction

about this Book of Mormon, after having perused the entire content, is that it is a work of contrivance. I am not careful to read this book for a second time as nothing in it does strike any chord of faith within me. I think that it must have been conjured by its author to defend his own ideas that the Americas are a promised land and to authenticate his plan which he sought to establish a supposed New Jerusalem on American soil. Joseph Smith Jnr. is no doubt a genius having achieved much of his accomplishments in early youth.

In the broader sense this work of Joseph Smith's has awaken in me a wonderment of how much of the Holy Bible are contrivances of this nature. A cursory consideration will reveal that the Book of Mormon may compare with a large part of the Holy Bible in every particular; talk of both form and content. He could have comfortably inserted the content of this book into the Holy Bible and they would merge well. It stands to reason that we need to seriously reconsider the books of the Holy Bible. I have the opinion that most of these books were equally contrived as the work of Smith's. The lesson here is that if a man has been bold enough to contrive a sacred literature in recent times people could also be bold to do same in ancient times.

MY IDEA OF POLYTHEISM

The idea of territorial gods is a reality. Polytheism appears to be in consonance with a fact of natural phenomena more than monotheism. Of course, there is variation and multiplicity of all that exists, both animate and inanimate. There is variation in, for example, the types of rocks on earth, the elements, species of plants and animals. In the human race also there is obvious variation. If unseen beings exist at all it is only natural that there should be many, and not one, of them in terms of form and kind.

The gods are invisible; have power over humans, animals, the earth and atmosphere, oceans, elements of the earth, plants, and the forces of nature. They are the creators and authors of natural laws. They are invisible but can take possession of the body of man, animal, or plant. They may also inhabit the elements of the earth. The gods have capacity to do good or evil to humans and the earth; and therefore gods have inclinations towards good or evil. There are evil gods which

would cause suffering to mankind; and then good gods which would do good to mankind.

The temperament of the territorial gods may be known by careful study of the condition of life of people inhabiting that geographical area, and secondly by the nature of natural occurrences in the area. Good gods bring prosperity, tranquility and welfare to the people and the land. The reign of evil gods is characterized by suffering, calamity, fear, depravity, and dehumanization of our race.

I would define polytheism and monotheism in terms of practice and not in terms of belief. Monotheism is when a person worships only a single god within a period of time; polytheism is the worship of more than one god within the same period of time.

43.

A COSMOLOGY

There is a multiverse; multiple worlds, and not a universe. Perhaps the inventors of the term universe were not thinking of oneness in terms of number, but unity of function. Thus, the universe might have suggested multiple worlds which

function in unison. I do not believe that the multiple worlds function in unison; they exist and function separately and individually.

The gods and the elements are the only things that have permanent existence, or are eternal. All else are temporal formations from the elements by the creative powers of the gods.

One or just a few gods created the world of planet Earth. They are the owners and custodians of this world. There are other worlds made and managed by the other gods.

The god(s) of the world of planet Earth inhabit this world, but as boundless entities, they are able to freely transport within the multiverse.

As artisans are known to build objects and systems much bigger in size than themselves so the god(s) may be either superior or inferior in size to the worlds they create. The question of size or body proportions of the god(s) is not of much importance here.

The god(s) created humanity as the repository or depository of intelligence, consciousness, ideas, or mind; whichever of these terms one would prefer. Humanity is the mind of the

world of planet Earth; it gives life to it. Without humanity the physical aspect of this world is dead.

The god(s) has a righteous purpose for creating the world. It is an expression of ideas. In order for humanity to apply its intelligence the god(s) created necessity in the world. The negative or harmful creatures of the world, and all such phenomena were created to provide for necessity. So that humanity would apply intelligence and mind.

The god(s) is good, as it is impossible for a sinister personage to create an orderly system, rather than chaos, as is manifest with close examination of the functioning of the world of planet Earth.

Therefore the god(s) deserve devotion and service. This gesture would inform their willingness to preserve and maintain this world.

Time is an illusion and is not a reality within the multiverse. The shape of planet Earth, the sun and moon of the world of planet Earth, are together responsible for time. Eliminate these and time would cease to be.

Time has occurrence in days, months, years, and definite repetitions or cycles of years. A day is the cycle of daytime and night. Month is the repeating set of days, 29.5306 days,

as indicated by the movement of the moon. Year is 365.2564 days as indicated by the directional movement of the sun.

Necessity is the father of invention; humanity the mother. Without it humanity would fail to apply intelligence or mind to express life in the world of planet Earth. That is why the god(s) created the creatures and phenomena which are seemingly adverse to humanity.

The god(s) also created the spirits to function as their messengers and ministers. These are what some other authors have called variously, including such terms as angels, spirits, and *gods*. The spirits could bestow goodness or inflict injury on humans, humanity, and the world of the Earth of their own accord.

44.

THAT MOST UNUSUAL FRUIT

Consider Moses of Paradise

Or the Muse of Paradise

Whatever is the English equivalent

Of Musa paradisaica

The most fascinating of all substances natural
That to humankind are edible
The plantain of common parlance
Stands unique in its combination of characteristics

It is a fruit for emanating from a flower

The prominence of its starchy composition however

Placing it amidst the family of rooty foodstuffs and seedy cereals

Makes the plantain an amalgam

At one time green, acrid and hard

Another time yellowish, sweet and soft

The Muse of Paradise

Which may be consumed either raw as a fruit

Or cooked as a starchy foodstuff

Amasses the nutritional virtues of both groups

One could well subsist on it alone
As it approaches nearer to

Of several foodstuff groupings

The balance of nutritional virtues Like just a few other foodstuffs

The plant itself is idiosyncratic

It is a grass in biological and anatomical kinship

Yet in proportion and growth habit

The Muse of Paradise would be a tree

45.

PSYCHOACTIVE SUBSTANCES

Mankind needs to use them for holistic health. These exert action on the brain; the brain connects the body of a person with the environment. Use of psychoactive substances helps a person to integrate into and establish harmony with the environment. The body does not depend on chemical energy alone; which energy is derived from food. Chemical energy is good for only certain functions of the body and not the total. The body also depends on electromagnetic energy for certain other functions; this latter form of energy is derived from the environment. Psychoactive substances enable the body to

assimilate this form of energy for its own usage. This is an additional importance of psychoactive substances. Mankind cannot do well without psychoactive substances.

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